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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
MICHELE MOCK : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 10/069,961 :
FILED: March 8, 2002 :
FOR: ACELLULAR IMMUNOGENIC
COMPOSITIONS AND ACELLULAR
VACCINE COMPOSITIONS AGAINST
BACILLUS ANTHRACIS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

4. (Amended) The immunogenic composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it also comprises at least one detoxified exotoxin chosen from the group consisting of the lethal factor (LF) and the edematogenic factor (EF), which have been detoxified.